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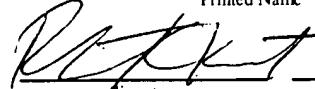
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Data System

§ Examiner: Unknown
§ Group/Art Unit: 2151
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, mailed March 28, 2002, there is enclosed herewith:

- An Assignment of the invention to Sun Microsystems, Inc.
- A combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by the inventor(s)

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- A Fee Authorization Form for \$1,186.00 to cover:
 - filing fee for large entity (\$740.00)
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- A return postcard to acknowledge receipt of these materials. Please stamp and return this postcard to the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted,



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$276.
 - \$108 for 6 total claims over 20.
 - \$168 for 2 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1146.**

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